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1. (Secret - JMM) Met with Senator Henry M. Jackson and told him on an "ears only" basis of a very sensitive item regarding the Middle East. I also filled him in on other current developments regarding Soviet weapons deliveries to certain Arab states.

2. (Secret - JMM) Briefed Dorothy Fosdick and Richard Perle, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations staff, regarding recent Soviet weapons delivered to certain Arab states.

3. (Secret - JMM) Briefed Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, House Armed Services Committee, on an "ears only" basis regarding a sensitive Middle East development and also on Soviet weapons deliveries to Arab states.

I told Nedzi of our views about his Subcommittee report commenting on the fact that at least the press play it had received hadn't made us very happy. I added that we wanted to be in touch with him soon on his three basic recommendations and I thought Mr. Colby would perhaps be writing to him in this regard shortly. I noted that the suggestion that we cut off meaningful contact with former employees was completely unrealistic and we would like to explain to him why this was so. He said he realized that none of his recommendations were easily implemented and he would be glad to discuss them with us as soon as time permitted.

4. (Unclassified - JMM) John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, said he is preparing a paper for Senator Stennis on U.S. POWs and asked if we had any information or ideas regarding the possibility that some as yet unidentified American prisoners are still being held by the Communists in Southeast Asia, and if so what their prospects for return might be. I said I would check into this and let him know.

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